Fire in high rise buildings in Delhi

@@1689. SHRI V. GOPALASAMY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) how many times fire broke out in high rise buildings in Delhi during the last three years year-wise figures;

(b) what had been the total financial loss suffered due to this during the same period, year-wise figures;

(c) how many buildings were sealed by Government for non-compliance with vaious directions of Government in each case during this period;

(d) how many buildings as on date are there in Delhi which are yet to comply fully with all the directives of Government;

(e) whether Government will seal all such buildings which have failed to comply with the directives of Government; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor in each specific case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. M. SAYEED) : (a) The year wise figures of fire in high rise buildings, as reported by the Chief Fire Officer are as under :

1991—119

1992—138

1993—130

(b) The year-wise figures of total financial loss suffered due to fires in high rise buildings during the last three years as reported by the Chief Fire Officer, are as under :

1991—Rs. 35,19,035/-

1992—Rs. 29,36,930/-

1993—Rs. 6.38,85,420/-

(c) Five.

(d) 107.

(e) and (f) According to Building Bylaws 1983, it is necessary to provide in high rise buildings adequate fire safety measures. Notices to provide fire safety measures have been issued from time to time to builders /owners/occupies of such high rise buildings which were constructed prior to notification of Building Bye-laws 1983 and which are not provided with adequate fire safety measures. Some of the builders/owners/occupiers of these buildings have sought extension upto 31st December, 1994 for completing the fire safety requirements.

Tirade against Mahatama Gandhi

4690. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that some top leaders of Bahujan Samajwadi Party have launched a tirade against the Father of the Nation, Mahatma Gandhi and are denigrating him like anything;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government have taken so far or proposed to take in this regard and with what results ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P M. SAYEED) : (a) to (c) It is expected that political parties and their leaders adhere to certain norms of conduct and take action against their members who are disrespectful to the memory of the Mahatama.

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